

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Kindly replace the following paragraphs with the amended ones set out below:

At page 1, replace paragraph [0004] by the following:

[0004] By way of example, attention is drawn to United States ~~Patent~~ Patent Nos. 1,299,097 issued April 1, 1919 to Ames; 2,370,815 issued March 6, 1945 to Ross; 2,643,579 issued June 30, 1953 to Jacoby; 3,067,513 issued December 11, 1962 to Randol; 3,358,367 issued December 19, 1967 to Bartley; 3,660,894 issued May 9, 1972 to Sand; and 5,479,950 issued January 2, 1966 to Andrews.

At page 2, replace paragraph [0006] by the following:

[0006] According to this invention, embodiments of a blade holder for holding a razor blade having a single cutting edge are disclosed. Preferably, the blade holder comprises a housing of non-magnetic material. The housing is formed with upper and lower end walls, a front side, a vertical channel opening outwardly along the front side of the housing, and a ~~slot~~ groove or chamber extending across the lower end wall. The channel and ~~slot~~ groove have a width that is greater than the width of the blade, and the slot groove communicates with or opens into the channel and has a depth sized to receive and conceal the cutting edge of the blade. A magnet is embedded in the housing for attracting and removably holding or retaining the razor blade, where desired, against the front side of the housing when the blade is disposed in the channel.

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At page 2, replace paragraph [0007] by the following:

[0007] Preferably, to enable centering, placement, and removal of the blade, a pair of sidewalls that project ~~upwardly~~ forwardly from the front side of the housing define the vertical channel on the front side that receives the razor blade. The ~~upward~~ forward extension of the sidewalls is greater than the thickness of the blade.

At page 2 and continuing onto page 3, replace paragraph [0009] by the following:

[0009] In another preferred embodiment according to this invention, the front side is generally flat (or planar), and the upper end wall has a central portion between the sidewalls that is concave. The concave central portion extends towards the lower end wall ~~whereby~~ to form a cut-out region that allows a user's ~~fingers~~ finger to be received therewithin to grip the upper edge portion of the razor blade, ~~whether~~ either for placement or removal.

At page 3, replace paragraph [0010] by the following:

[0010] Preferably and according to an important aspect of this invention, there is provided apparatus for attaching and carrying a single edged razor blade on clothing, the apparatus comprising the blade holder, as described ~~herein~~ above, and a keeper. The keeper is of a non-magnetic material ~~and~~ provided with a magnet. The magnets in the holder and the keeper are such that the holder and the keeper will be held in gripped relation when brought in to into contact with one another. In use, ~~the~~ a garment is may be sandwiched between the holder and the keeper.

At page 6 and continuing onto page 7, replace paragraph [0026] by the following:

[0026] According to this invention, and referring to Figs. 2 and 3, the blade holder 14 comprises a housing 28 having a front and back side 30 and 32, an upper end wall 34, and a lower end wall 36 spaced from the upper wall. The housing 28 is ~~integrally~~ preferably formed of a non-magnetic material, such as a suitable plastic, to include a pair of sidewalls 38 and 40 and an elongated ~~slot~~ groove (e.g., chamber or recess) 42. The sidewalls 38 and 40 project ~~upwardly~~ forwardly from the front side 30 by ~~an amount~~ a dimension that is greater than the greatest thickness of the razor blade 12 at the reinforcement band 24 and define an ~~outwardly~~ forwardly open vertical channel 44 on the front side of the holder 14. The channel 44 is slightly wider than the width of the blade between the non-cutting edges thereof and is sized to receive the blade in a clearance fit.

At page 7, replace paragraph [0027] by the following:

[0027] The ~~slot~~ groove 42 is formed by a guard wall 43 that is spaced from the front side 30, the guard wall extending between the sidewalls 38 and 40 and upwardly from the lower end wall 36. The ~~slot~~ groove 42 thus formed across the front side 30 of the housing 28 forms a continuation of the vertical channel 44. The ~~slot~~ groove 42 has a transverse dimension or width that is greater than the thickness of the blade element 22 and a depth sufficient to receive, cover, conceal, and protect the cutting edge 26 of the razor blade 12.

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